I-Call to order- The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Dr. Ouandlous at 4:08 p.m.

II- Approval of Agenda-The agenda was approved, with an amendment to add Committee Reports to old business.

III-The September 2, 2014 Minutes were approved, with amendment to reflect Dr. Mosley’s absence as excused.

IV-The Senate entertained the President’s Report, which is incorporated into the minutes by reference. Her report included an update from the Board of Regents meeting, which emphasized the Complete College Georgia Plan and employment of graduates.

V-Old Business

i. The Independent Study Taskforce—Drs. Walker and Tedrick provided an update.

a. They reported on findings of compensation practices at other colleges and universities, including course release. Although USG schools are compensating for independent study instruction, few specific details were available.

b. They reported it seems an appropriate level of compensation would be an amount approximating:

i. 1/10 the appropriate part-time salary, or a $100 per credit, not to exceed 3 credits per student.

ii. Approximately $300-900, but not to exceed $1,000 per course.

President Dozier underscored the importance of getting data from USG, including a definition of Independent Studies, and recommend the Task Force work with the Provost’s Office to continue exploration of the matter.

ii. Graduated Parking Fees for Part-time Employees—The history of the matter was reviewed, including how the consideration expanded from part-time faculty to
all part-time university employees. The Parking Committee will consider the matter and report back to the Senate.

iii. Committee Reports—Dr. Gardner-Martin reported on the activities of the Committee on Committees, including Committee member assignments to work with the various committees. Slates of faculty members to serve on committees were presented, approved by the Senate and are incorporated into these minutes by reference.

VI-Announcements—

i. Benefits and Healthcare—Dr. Best and Dana Daniels present a report regarding employee benefits for the coming calendar year. A document summarizing the changes was made available to all in attendance.

ii. Deadlines for Academic Year and NPCC—Dr. Verret announced October 7 was the due date for curriculum changes to be considered by NPCC for fall semester. Other important dates are in the published academic calendar. Also, University Faculty Secretary Dr. Dionne Hoskins has called for items from faculty to be considered for the November University Faculty meeting agenda. Vice Chair Ouandlous directed that such matters be sent to Faculty Senate Corresponding Secretary, Prof. Silberg.

iii. Submission of Changes to the Faculty Handbook—Vice Chair Ouandlous explained changes approved by the Senate will be provided to the Senate for information purposes and later incorporated into the Handbook.

iv. Dr. Ouandlous expressed appreciation to senators for their service. He explained that certificates of appreciation are provided to senators attending 80% of Senate meetings for the academic year.

v. The Athletic Department is looking for faculty to serve as honorary coaches for the football program. Duties include attending Friday practice and providing encouragement on the sideline during the game.

vi. Dr. Verret announced that nominations are open for Athletic Faculty Representative. Nominees must be tenured and the responsibility comes with certain accommodations. Duties include serving as academic liaison and advocate for student athlete academic needs, including attending certain NCAA meetings.

vii. The Theater Program is presenting Agamemnon at the Wiley-Wilcox Black Box Theater, October 30, 31 and November 1 at 8pm. Contact the Theater Program for tickets and seating.

viii. The Southern Association for Canadian Studies is having their annual regional conference at SSU October 17 and 18. Renowned Canadian author Lawrence Hill will address the audience after lunch on Friday October 18. Attendance at his remarks, not including lunch, is without charge.
VII—The meet was adjourned at 5:45 pm.
Respectfully submitted,
David A. Bell- Recording Secretary
President’s Report
Faculty Senate – October 7, 2014

Good Afternoon!

As we wrapped up homecoming and midterms, let me say that one aspect of homecoming theme is relevant...... Setting the stage for the future and you on that stage with the Major Role and some of you deserve the Emmy and Oscar for what you do collectively in your classrooms and your departments.

Enrollment Statistics:

Fall registration as of this week is just over 4,900 students including 4,767 undergraduate students and 145 graduate students. We are currently focused on our recruitment strategies for the spring.

KUDOS

- **Five COBA students** completed their sustainability certification at Nottingham Trent University (NTU) in Nottingham, United Kingdom, during summer study abroad.
- **Marine Sciences** major Darius Sanford, summer intern at Gray’s Reef, earned Best Presentation award and earned stipend for presenting at a conference in Spain next year.
- **Two undergraduates**, Graduating Seniors of Biology Program - 2014-2015, Ms. Jamilha Washington and Paris Thompson, will be sharing the prize equally of $500 each for First Place with a Scholarship Award for presentations at the Environmental Youth Symposium Presentation – USEPA Region 04, September 12, 2014.

Student Affairs:

- **The Office of Career Services** is moving to the Student Union. The Grand Opening is coming soon.
- **The Annual Career Fair** will take place on Wednesday, October 15, 2014. Please let your students know. Many students do not take advantage of Career Fairs held on campus.
- **The Office of Wellness and Recreation** is offering a number of programs and faculty and staff are encouraged to participate. Please check your email for updates.
We have two new employees in Student Affairs including Ms. Faye Clark, our new Licensed Professional Counselor in Counseling Services, and Ms. Jordan Ogden, our new Career Development Specialist in Career Services.

The Division of Student Affairs thanks the faculty for their participation and support of Homecoming 2014 activities.

Customer service Recognition

Please join me in congratulating Two Student Support Services Staff, Dr. Gary Guillory, Director and Ms. Tameka McDaniel, Academic Support Specialist, were finalists for the Chancellor’s Service Excellence Awards, which they will be receiving this Friday at Kennesaw State University.

Board of Regents update from September meeting - see ppt.

Events:

- Annual Career Fair, October 15, 2014
- Open Campus Day, October 18, 2014
- State of the University Address, 9:00 a.m., October 24, 2014, Howard Jordan Auditorium
- Confucius Institute Opening Ceremony, October 29, 2014, Campus
SLATES OF COMMITTEE CANDIDATES SUBMITTED AND APPROVED BY FACULTY SENATE

October 7, 2014

• Distance Learning Committee
  o Vivien Harris-Murphy, Instructor, CAS
  o Shinemin Lin, Prof., Math, COST
  o Andrea Moore, Asst. Prof., Biology, SOTE
  o Kafui Monu, Asst. Prof., CIS, COBA
  o Sherry Serdikoff, Assoc. Prof., Beh. Analysis, CLASS

• Faculty Handbook Committee
  o Adegboye Adeyemo
  o Taqwaa Saleem
  o Larry Stokes
  o George Tessema
  o Teresa Michelle Walker

• International Students, Programs, and Services Committee
  o Kevin O’Brien, Assoc. Prof., Spanish
  o Diogo Pinheiro, Asst. Prof., Sociology
  o Felicia Bell, Asst. Prof., History; Dir., Honors Program
  o Adam Cottle, Library

• Faculty Affairs Committee
  o Kenneth Jordan
  o Adegboye Adeyemo
  o Anshu Arora
  o Arav Ouandlous
  o Emily Bentley
  o Yousef Jahmani
  o Behrooz Kalantari
  o Ying Liu
  o Kevin O’Brien
  o Hyounkyun Oh
  o Yonpae Park
  o Xiaorong Zhang

• Faculty Development Committee
  o Bernita Berry
  o Yousef Jahmani
  o Sarah Kirkley
  o Keenya Mosely
  o George Tessema
  o Jun Wu
• Student Academic Affairs Committee
  o Adegboye Adeyemo
  o Stephanie Alexander
  o Pedro Rivera
  o Cornelius St. Mark
  o Kai Walker
  o Xiaorong Zhang

• Academic Calendar Committee
  o Dr. Cora Thompson
  o Dr. Berry
  o Dr. Otilia Iancu
  o Dr. Odom
  o Dr. Adegboye Adeyemo